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MANY THOUSAND FERTILE ACRES TO BE RECLAIMED THRU DRAINAGE PROJECT

Petition Filed to Drain Big Sandy River Bottom from Town of Big Sandy to Hollow Rock Junction.—Health Conditions Will Be Improved.

Many thousand fertile acres along the Big Sandy river bottom in Henry, Benton and Carroll counties will be reclaimed as the result of a bill filed in county court this week by Lewis & Bryant and Fitzhugh & Morton, representing about fifty petitioners, land owners, in the three counties, seeking to drain the swamp lands along the river from the town of Big Sandy to Hollow Rock Junction.

The petition will be increased during the next week by the addition of probably 100 other land owners.

The bottom along this river is from one to two miles wide, running a distance of 70 miles, and containing thousands of acres of land in swamps, lagoons and marshes, now almost valueless, but can be drained and reclaimed will be the richest land in the three counties, and prove one of the most productive bodies of farm land to be found anywhere.

The draining of Big Sandy river bottom will also mean the destruction of millions of mosquitos, and will be a great benefit to health conditions.

The counties of Weakley, Gibson, Dyer and Madison have all established drainage districts under the drainage law, and thousands of acres of land have been redeemed, making the owners rich.

The petitioners and attorneys are being congratulated upon their efforts to drain and reclaim some of the most fertile land in the state, and, what is of vast more importance to humanity, to destroy the malaria and improve the health of the citizens along the river. The river has been obstructed by fallen trees and drifts until a large rain would result in the waters overflowing the area of the entire surrounding country.

GET YOUR MAP NOW

The Parisian's second order of premium wall maps has arrived. Those who are due a map will please call at The Parisian office immediately for same. A map is given with each one-year paid subscription to The Parisian.

Adams & Currier Form New Realty Firm: Joe Gray Retires

Chas. P. Currier has purchased the interest of Joe Gray in the real estate firm of Adams & Gray, and in the future the firm will be known as Adams & Currier, real estate, loans and insurance. Mr. Gray retires and it is said that he will probably locate in Mississippi about the first of next year.

The firm of Adams & Gray has enjoyed a good business here, and the new firm will no doubt

DUROCK SOW MOTHER OF LARGE LITTER OF PIGS

J. E. Douglas, of Route 2, was in the city Saturday and told a representative of The Parisian that a red Durock sow on his farm became the mother of seventeen pigs one night recently. This seems to be the record, at least no one has so far disputed it.

MISS MABEL WILLIAMS DIED HERE WEDNESDAY

Popular Young Lady Taken Ill While Attending Teachers' Institute

Miss Mabel Williams, aged 20, a popular young woman of near Elkhorn, passed away at the Hoyland hospital on Wood street here about three o'clock Wednesday afternoon, after a brief illness.

Miss Williams was an accomplished young woman and one of the most popular teachers in Henry county. She became ill very suddenly while attending the teachers' institute here last week. She suffered a congestive chill, and from the first, little hope was held out for her recovery.

Funeral services were conducted at Elkhorn today (Friday,) at 10 o'clock by Rev. W. F. Tuten. She was a consistent member of the Methodist Church and many friends mourn her death. The funeral was attended by a large number of relatives and friends.

Dr. J. D. Weldon Gets Guard Appointment

Dr. J. D. Weldon, of Paris, has been commissioned first lieutenant, Tennessee National Guards, Dental corps, and left early this week for Nashville.

Some weeks ago Dr. Weldon attempted to raise a company of militia here, but was unsuccessful. His many friends will be glad to learn of his appointment.

LOST—On streets or in court yard Thursday one \$5.00 bill. Reward at The Parisian office.

McKELLAR REPLIES TO RYE PROPOSITION; HE WILL STAND BY PARTY

Nominee for Senator Declares His Confidence In State Executive Committee

GOVERNOR WOULD DISPLACE HEADS OF PARTY IN STATE

McKellar Sends Message That He Does Not Wish To Dictate or Control

Replying to a proposition made by Governor Rye through Dr. J. D. McAlister that the three state nominees—McKellar, Rye and Enloe—name a campaign committee to act apart from the regular party organization, Congressman Kenneth D. McKellar, nominee for United States Senator, stated pointedly that he had confidence in the Democratic State Executive Committee and its officials and that he did not consider it his duty to select any separate committee, or its chairman, or dictate or control its organization. He declined Governor Rye's proposition.

The proposition made by the Governor grew out of the Governor having failed to control in the election of a chairman of the State Committee. The members of the committee elected Judge L. D. Hill, the present chairman, for another term over Rye's opposition, although Hill successfully managed the Rye campaign two years ago. Since Judge Hill was reelected the governor has appeared "peevish" and has intimated that he might name a separate committee to direct his own campaign. In the meantime, Judge Hill has opened Democratic headquarters at Nashville and is organizing the state in the interest of Wilson, McKellar, Rye and the other nominees.

Now comes the governor's proposal to Congressman McKellar that they, with Col. Enloe, name a separate committee. The proposal was submitted by Dr. McAlister, and Congressman McKellar's reply, which was pointed and meets with the approval of Democrats generally, is as follows:

July 27, 1916.—Dear Dr. McAlister: You have just handed me the following proposition:

"That the three candidates, Rye, McKellar and Enloe, select their own campaign committee outside of the state executive committee, each member of the campaign committee to be mutually agreeable to the candidate, and the campaign committee to select its own chairman and secretary, who shall be mutually agreeable to the three candidates. All other employees and attaches to be selected in the same way."

"This is handed me for the first time on this morning about 11 o'clock, July 27."

"When you came to Washington last week to see me about this matter you and I both went over it at length, and I agreed that we all ask the state executive committee to appoint two additional friends of Gov. Rye on the campaign committee, and certain other suggestions that

Bonds Defeated; Sims Nominated

SHILOH MONUMENT TO BE UNVEILED IN FALL

Mrs. Alexander B. White Secures Funds For Monument to Southern Soldiers

Since the announcement the first week in July that the Shiloh monument, located at Shiloh national park, in Corinth, Miss., a short distance from the Tennessee-Mississippi state line, erected to commemorate Southern soldiers, will be unveiled in the fall, and that ground has actually been broken for it, and further, that nearly all the \$50,000 needed to pay for the monument has been secured, there has been a big revival of interest manifested.

There were doubtless many who, realizing the difficulties with which women secure funds, thought it would be impossible for them to finance such a large undertaking, but it has been accomplished by Mrs. Alexander B. White, of Paris, Tenn., as director-general of the Shiloh monument fund, ably assisted by the directions from each state having charters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and other loyal women who are desirous of placing an enduring monument to that body of Southern fighters whose unswerving loyalty and remarkable efforts, made in the face of gigantic obstacles, have made them at once the surprise and admiration of men and women everywhere.

Mrs. White, who has charge of the work, announces that contributions are still coming in, and the few thousands of dollars needed to complete the \$50,000 which the monument will cost are expected to be in by the time for the unveiling if those who are working for the cause continue their vigil.

Just below the central group of figures, which is in heroic size, in which Death and Night are snatching the laurel wreath from Confederacy, will be a profile head of Gen. Albert Sydney Johnston in high relief. In order to secure a good likeness of the general, Mrs. White wrote to Gen. Johnston's daughter, Mrs. Prichard, of San Francisco, who furnished pictures of him.

you will recall. You told me that you would go to Nashville and let me know. Yesterday you returned, and told me that the first suggestions were unsatisfactory, and thereupon, after again canvassing the matter with you, I telegraphed Gov. Rye as follows:

"Dr. McAlister here. It has been suggested that state committee be urged to select Thad Cox vice-chairman and he and Judge Hill jointly run campaign. Also executive committee select from committee three of your friends as additional men on campaign committee. How does this strike you? Wire answer."

"Last night I received the following telegram from Gov. Rye:

"McAlister authorized to sub-

UNOFFICIAL PRIMARY RETURNS

Districts	Congress		Representative				
	Sims	Porter	Browning	Tharpe	Lyon	Terry	
1	165	567	102	398	82	48	
2	28	49	44	25	2	2	
3	33	117	4	82	10	53	
4	14	62	9	8	24	28	
5	23	79	15	50	4	17	
6	33	39	13	14	8	31	
7	37	69	33	35		33	
8	15	11					
9	36	114	26	29	31	31	
10	16	23					
11	80	119	1	180	6	7	
12	10	52					
13	46	44	5	15	40	22	
14	111	107	11	33	84	64	
15	47	49		16	35	9	
16	36	113	12	40	24	19	
17	21	52	47	8	2	11	
18	100	18	7	66	9	13	
19	30	60	2	65		33	
20	50	38					
21	17	58					
22	57	7	2	44	3	5	
23							
24	9	67	7	29	7	33	
25	9	37					
26	28	65					
	1051	2016	340	1137	371	439	

mit only proposition I care to entertain."

"This morning you handed me the above quoted proposition as coming from Governor Rye."

"This proposition in effect ignores the entire party organization in the state, and no matter what the intent may be its effect would be to cast discredit upon the state executive committee. My reply to the proposition is, that I am standing with, and am going to continue to stand with, the democratic state executive committee in this and all other matters over which it has jurisdiction."

"It is not my duty, or my prerogative, as I conceive it, to select any committee, or its chairman, or dictate, or control its organization. I am unwilling to take any position or make any agreement that ignores the democratic state executive committee in the state or that might discredit the democratic organization in the state, and under no circumstances would I be a party to the creation of an independent committee to be appointed without the authority and approval of the democratic state executive committee. However, I am willing now and at all times to do anything, or agree to any plan, that the state executive committee authorizes."

"While I am perfectly willing to go to any length to meet the personal desires or wishes of any other candidates, whatever their desires may be, still, as a democrat I am unwilling to take any steps, the effects of which might be to bring the organization of the party into disrepute, or which might be regarded as an assault on the integrity of the state committee. I felt that I went to extreme lengths yesterday morning when I agreed to the suggestions, which I wired Governor Rye, and which have been quoted above. At all events, I cannot agree to make the recommendation asked for about it. If this is desired I

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Tharpe Is Far In Lead; Next Man Is Terry

Congressman T. W. Sims has apparently been renominated by a majority of about 900 votes in the district, according to figures given out by H. E. Graper, of Lexington, Sims' manager, about 10 o'clock Thursday night.

Dudley Porter carried Henry county by about 1,000 majority, and according to Mr. Graper's figures had a majority of 27 votes in Benton county, with two precincts out.

Sims, Mr. Graper stated, carried Carroll county by 476; Chester 73; Decatur 138; Hardin 176; Madison 310; Henderson 365; McNairy 96; Perry 254.

Porter headquarters here refused to concede the nomination to Congressman Sims at a late hour last night.

Two years ago Congressman Sims defeated Gen. B. J. Howard, of Jackson, by 1,600 majority.

In the race for Representative John C. Tharpe, of Cottage Grove, led the field with a total of 1137 in the eighteen districts reported. R. M. Terry, of Puryear, is second with 439; Thos. J. Browning, of the old Second has 340 and R. W. Lyon has 371. As there are eight districts yet to be heard from in this race it is impossible to say whether Terry, Browning or Lyon will be in the run-off with Tharpe. If a run-off is necessary it will be held on August 19.

While returns are very incomplete on the road bond election, it is evident that the proposition has been defeated by a large vote. The Paris precinct gave the bond issue a vote of about two to one.

The constitutional convention proposition has probably carried the county by a safe majority.

Crump Won For Trustee

According to reports received at ten o'clock Thursday night former Mayor E. H. Crump, of Memphis, had been elected Trustee of Shelby county by a majority of probably more than 1,000 votes over H. H. Litty. Mike G. Tate, the Democratic (Crump) candidate for Sheriff, defeated W. J. Hayes, candidate of the Mooney-Fitzhugh-Monte-verde faction, by about the same vote and W. B. Weisiger won out for Tax Assessor.

The Commercial-Appeal conceded the election of the entire Crump ticket, it is said.